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To the Louisiana Board of Ethics:

I am requesting an advisory opinion concerning my post employment restrictions that would apply to me as a former Assistant Attorney General at the Attorney General Office with the Louisiana Department of Justice.

On Friday, June 4, 2016, I retired from the Attorney General Office with the Louisiana Department of Justice. During my 21 years of service with the Attorney General's office my duties included providing legal defense for the State of La., in particular, in matters of medical malpractice defense as well as defense in Road Hazards and General Liability defense. During my employment with the Attorney General Office, I was not considered to be an agency head.

I do not intend to participate in cases in which I was previously involved. Also, I do intend to individually contract work with the Attorney General's office. However, I would like to continue to defend the State of Louisiana by working on a part-time basis on an hourly basis with an Attorney who is defending the State of Louisiana on contractual cases.

I spoke with Suzanne Mooney on June 7, 2016. After our conversation and reviewing the Benoist opinion of the Ethics Board Docket No 2013367 rendered May 20, 2013, I was under the impression that as long as I was not working on previous cases in which I had participated, not an agency head and not personally contracting cases with the State that this would not be a violation of the Code of Ethics.

However, to be clear of any violation, I am requesting your advisory opinion. In particular, as to Section 1121B which would prohibit a former public employee for a period of two years following the termination of his public employment from rendering any service which such former public employee had rendered to the agency during the

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term of his employment on a contractual basis regardless of the parties to the contract to for or on behalf of the agency with which he was formerly employed.

Thank you for your kind attention and cooperation, I sincerely remain

Yours truly,

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